



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

application of:

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For: Method of Performing Video Encoding Rate  
Control Using Bit Budget

Art Unit: 2613

Examiner: Wong, Allen C.

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Applicants file this Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and Preliminary Amendment in response to the Examiner's Final Office Action of January 12, 2005. Please consider the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.